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Franklin County Library Board
Minutes regular Quarterly Meeting
Royston Public Library

January 14, 2008

Attending

Rita Shoemaker, Sid Ginn, Rachel Sorrow, Kasie Freeman, Church Holland, Donna Brumby, Wayne Miller, Rosie Chitwood, Emma LeCroy

Call To Order: Chairperson Rita Shoemaker

Welcomed Chuck Holland of Lavonia, and Gail Maxwell of Canon

Discussion on addresses, roster, and members

Minutes read and approved

Public comments- None

Agenda for meeting approved

Financial report:

71% of budget received

47% of expenditures spent

Lavonia Gift Items (CD's) were not recorded on financial report

Items discussed:

Data was being gathered for upcoming budget meetings with cities, county and school.

Gary Festerman requested to meet with library board at the next meeting in Lavonia. The heating system in Lavonia will have to be replaced and the question is to what account those funds would come.

Discussion on Canon being the only entry not paid.

Discussion on the length since the board requested an increase.

Discussion on the minimum wage increase in July and the impact on the library employees.

Discussion about the reconstruction of the Old Franklin County Board of Education Building by the city of Carnesville and possible use as an historical library/museum. Will discuss finances before April 14th meeting. Need to set the budget for the upcoming year. May have to have a separate budget hearing for Royston.

Regional board meeting will be Thursday at 3:30 with topic "responsibilities of trustees" Georgia library day is February 14 in Atlanta.

Royston Librarian Rosie Chitwood- the library will be available on Wednesday when the Library is closed for the AARP to fill out tax forms for seniors. Roof repairs, carpet and paint are planned to repair Royston library. They may have to close part of the time.

Lavonia Librarian Emma LeCroy reported serious problems with the heating system in the Lavonia Library. Terry Kay has scheduled a visit in March. Friends of Lavonia Library have bought "entrepreneurial friendly" books. Both libraries got new computers for driver education classes.

Next meeting is planned April 14 at Lavonia. An exhibit at Watkinsville is planned in March with an Anne Frank mock-up in display.

The meeting was adjourned.

Pam - revisions as of
1/14/08 - ~~Donna~~

FRANKLIN COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD
2008

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Mr. Wayne Miller	89 Place De La Toile	Lavonia, GA 30553 (706) 356-3384 (H) <u>wmiller@alltel.net</u>		Co. Comm.	June 30, 2009
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~~(Add Rosie & Emma)~~

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Attending: Rita Shoemaker, Teresa Crawford, Kasie Freeman, Chuck Holland, Wayne Miller, Edward Bowns, Gayle Maxwell, Rosie Chitwood, Emma LeCroy, Kathryn Ames, Donna Brumby

Absent: Sid Ginn, Rachel Sorrow, Jack Slaton

Call To Order: Chairperson Rita Shoemaker

Minutes (January 14, 2008) approved

Public comments - None

Agenda for meeting approved

Financial report (K. Ames):

85.24% of budget received

(Board asked ARLS to send a thank you letter & reminder to City of Canon)

73.07% of budget expended

Items discussed (Old & New Business):

- National Library Week, April 13-17
- Franklin County annual report
- Georgia Legislative report
 - 9 building projects approved
 - State materials contribution to remain at .57 per capita
 - Additional PINES funding approved
- ARLS to debut Overdrive downloadable audio May 1
- Lavonia Branch Manager's report
 - Terry Kay Meet the Author (estimated 100 people present)
 - Grassroots Arts Grant Feltmaking Program
- Royston Branch Manager's report
 - Summer Reading Program plans
 - Friends of the Library book sale
 - Children's area repair & renovations
 - \$ 393,400.00 gift to Royston Public Library from the estate of Roberta Brown
 - Board discussed and passed the following policy:

The Franklin County Library Board reserves the right to determine the disposition of all gifts made to County library branches under the Board's jurisdiction. This includes all gifts of funds, property or services. Gifts accepted by the Board become the property of the Board or the specific libraries to which the gifts were given. Gifts will not be used to

replace regular, ongoing operating expenses which are the responsibility of local governmental funding agencies.

- Board discussed possible uses for the Brown estate gift and passed the following resolution:

The Franklin County Library Board hereby reserves all funds gifted to the Royston Public Library from the estate of Roberta Brown.

These funds will be used as the local matching funds necessary for meeting requirements of a Georgia State construction grant for the purpose of a capital renovation and expansion project for the Royston Public Library Branch of the Athens Regional Library System. The Franklin County Library Board will partner with the City of Royston in the development of any capital project.

In the event that requirements of said construction grant are not met or are not funded by the State or other agency, the Franklin County Library Board reserves the right to designate said funds for other purposes on behalf of the Royston Public Library.

- K. Ames presented cost estimates for 3,000 square foot expansion of Royston Public Library and renovation of current facility
- K. Ames presented Georgia Public Library Service FY2010 Public Library Construction dates and deadlines
- SPLOST: R. Shoemaker will check on the status of Lavonia's SPLOST funds
- Budget proposals
 - Franklin County budget proposal (attached) approved
 - Royston budget proposal (attached) approved
 - R. Shoemaker will draft letters to be delivered by W. Miller and E. Bowns
 - All Library Board members urged to contact funding decision makers in support of increased funding for libraries
- Regional Library Board Meeting, Thursday, April 17; topic is "Trustee Basics"

Next meeting is planned for 10:00 am, July 14 at the Royston Public Library.

The meeting was adjourned.

Approved 1/12/2009

Franklin County Library Board
Minutes Regular Meeting
October 13, 2008

Members in attendance:

Teresa Crawford, Gail Maxwell, Donna Brumby, Katherine Ames, Rita Shoemaker, Wayne Miller, Sid Ginn, Emma LeCroy

Others in Attendance;

David Jordan, City of Royston Councilman, Greg Scott, City of Royston Manager

Chairperson Rita shoemaker called the meeting to order.

Minutes read and approved

Adoption of agenda approved

Call for public comments / None

New business: Royston city councilman David Jordan introduced Greg Scott. Mr. Scott addressed the board on the potential to renovate the present city office buildings into a library. By joining the existing buildings with an atrium, and converting it into a library it would amount to 7500 square feet. The city would then convert the existing Royston library into city offices. With the possibility for 90% federal money with 10% local funding, Greg pointed out that both the library and city would benefit. Ms Ames pointed out the possibility to have a state consultant from the State Library Building Program would also be available. Preliminary plans were made to meet at the site discussed and what steps to be taken next. Councilman Jordan and Mr. Scott then left the meeting.

Items of business discussed,

Discussion of the Grand Jury Recommendations to build a library in Carnesville. Discussion of the old Carnesville Library which centered on the fact that with old books that use of the facility went down. Further discussion was made of the possible use of the new Carnesville City Hall, (which contained the old library), and possible future use. Future use would possible include a small pickup or collection point for a starter library. It was further discussed that the donation made by Mrs. Brown has caused different reactions and inputs on possible uses. It was decided that the board make a policy statement that could be released if the board was asked for its opinion of the grand jury report on an centralized library. The motion and statement is entered at the end of the minutes.

Budget report: We are through 25% of the year and have used up 25% of the budget. Overall the finances were in good shape. Gifts and fund equity was discussed as was the school grant the board participated in, which would be received in time. The city of Lavonia runs their budget Jan 1 thru Dec 31, and they need a budget request soon. Employees pay was up to \$7.25, and it was suggested that Lavonia be asked to increase its contribution to \$10,000.00. It was also suggested to find more ways to encourage gifts

to the library. The governor has wanted to reduce the amount of increases in state retirement for Library workers, and taxing HMOs. A report was made on the holiday season schedule.

A report was given on the homebound services and courier service. Over 15 deliveries were made to the Royston Lavonia System and we need to look for ways to increase homebound services.

Lavonia library had improvements to walls and lights, and gravel was added to the parking lot. There was a request by Lavonia on how many people actually use the library that live in the city and those outside the city limits.

The next meeting will be in Carnesville at the city hall, 10am January 12, 2009.

*****In response to the grand jury recommendations, a motion was made and passed to make a board policy statement in full support of the Lavonia Carnegie Library, the Royston Library, and outreach services in Carnesville and Canon.

Resolution

Policy Statement, October 2008

The Franklin County Library Board is in full support of continuing operation of the Lavonia and Royston libraries.

The Franklin County Library Board is in full support of the upkeep and operation of the Lavonia Carnegie Library.

The Franklin County Library Board is in full support of considering the proposal made by the City of Royston to expand the library space.

The Franklin County Library Board is in full support of investigating the establishment of outreach services in Canon and Carnesville